



Louisa-Muscatine CSD February/March 2019 Enrollment Newsletter



The Louisa-Muscatine CSD Administration team is already preparing for the 2019-2020 school year. Although this may seem early to many of you, there are some important things already occurring to prepare us all for the next school year. Every year we have parents call our office and ask about open enrollment. **NOW IS THE TIME TO OPEN ENROLL!!!** All open enrollment applications that are correctly submitted before March 1, 2019 will be approved. Forms are available on our website, www.lmcsd.org, in all of our offices, or you can call 319-726-3541 to request we mail you a copy. Here are a few important factors regarding open enrollment:

- *Open enrollment forms need to be submitted by March 1 for 1st - 12th graders
- *If you are already open enrolled, you don't need to submit your forms again.
- *Each child needs a form on file. If you have an older child who is already open enrolled, additional children entering kindergarten will also need to file as they start school.
- *Kindergarteners have until September 30th to file open enrollment forms.
- *Preschool has no open enrollment laws. Preschoolers can attend any school they choose.
- *If you file your open enrollment forms after the March 1 deadline, you can be denied. Both your attending district and resident district have to approve your application if submitted after March 1, and they may not.
- *A full list of the rules that govern open enrollment can be found within this newsletter.
- *Any further questions regarding open enrollment can be directed to: Charles Domer, cdomer@lmcsd.org



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Kindergarten Round-Up

Kindergarten round-up will be held on Monday, April 15 and Tuesday, April 16.

If your child is planning on attending L-M kindergarten in the fall of 2019, please call the elementary office (319-726-3634) and schedule your round-up session.

We will have a morning and an afternoon session each day.

Your student will experience a half day of kindergarten in our classrooms with a kindergarten teacher while you attend an informational meeting in the library.

If your student is currently enrolled in Busy Hands Preschool,

we will just walk him or her down to the kindergarten classes at your scheduled round-up time.

ATTENTION: Parents of CURRENT kindergarteners: There will be no kindergarten on Monday, April 15 or Tuesday, April 16. Please plan accordingly for your child.



Meet the L-M Kindergarten Teaching Staff



Deana Hargrave has taught at L-M for 22 years, with 23 years of teaching experience total. She received her BA from the University of Iowa with an Early Childhood endorsement.



Cindy Wehrle has taught at L-M for 25 years. Mrs. Wehrle received her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education from UNI & her master's degree in Early Childhood Education from Western Illinois.



Vicki Beers has taught at L-M for 28 years. She received her BA degree in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education from Simpson College.

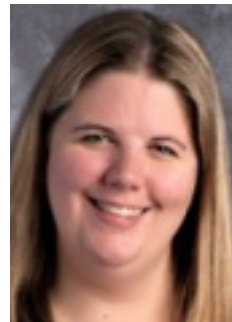
Meet the L-M Preschool Teaching Staff



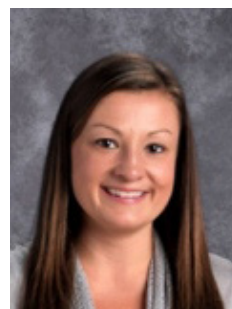
Betsy Clements has taught at L-M for 8 years. Miss Clements received her bachelor's degree in early childhood, early childhood special education, and elementary education from Iowa Wesleyan College. Miss Clements teaches 4 year old preschool and is the program's director.



Sara Longhurst has taught at L-M for 2 years. Ms. Longhurst is a 4 year old preschool teacher. She has 6 years of preschool teaching experience altogether. Ms. Longhurst received her bachelor's degree in Early childhood education from Loras College & is currently working towards her master's degree.



Jamie Vircks has taught at L-M for 9 years. She is a 4 year old preschool teacher. Mrs. Vircks received her bachelor's degree in Early Childhood and Special Education from Iowa State University & her master's in Early Childhood Education from University of Northern Iowa.



Brittanie Kneese has taught at L-M for 2 years, with a total of 9 years of teaching experience. Mrs. Kneese is the 3 year old preschool teacher. She received her BA in early childhood education from Iowa State University with a special education endorsement.



Preschool Registration

Preschool registration has begun! If you have not already requested information from our website, you can email the program director, Betsy Clements at bclements@lmcsd.org. She will send you any additional information for enrollment.

Busy Hands preschool has 3 sections of all-day, Monday - Thursday, 4 year old preschool. To attend 4 year old preschool, your child must be 4 years old by September 15, 2019. 4 year old preschool is FREE, but does require a registration fee. 4 year olds are eligible to ride the school bus.

Busy Hands preschool has 1 morning section of 3 year old preschool and 1 afternoon section of 3 year old preschool. Tuition is an annual fee that is paid in 9 monthly installments. 3 year olds are not eligible to ride the school bus. Your child must be 3 years old by September 15, 2019 to enroll.

The Island Lighthouse Food Pantry

Open the 3rd Tuesday of every month.
March 19, 2019: 2:00 - 5:30 pm
April 16, 2019: 2:00 - 5:30 pm

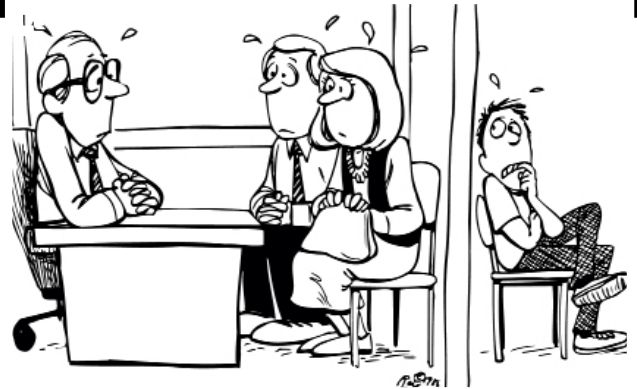


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Identification with name and
proof of current address required

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and will not discriminate against any applicant/participant in any aspect of program administration for reasons of: age, sex, race, color, disability, religious creed, national origin or political beliefs.



Reminder to Parents:

Parent teacher conferences are March 12th and March 14th, 2019 4:30 - 8:00 pm. There will be a hotdog supper during conferences, proceeds will support after prom. \$3 a meal will include hotdog, bag of chips and a water.

The Louisa-Muscatine Community School District will provide equal opportunity to employees and applicants for employment in accordance with applicable equal employment opportunity and affirmative action laws, directives and regulations of federal, state and local governing bodies. The school district will take affirmative action in major job categories where women, men, minorities and persons with disabilities are underrepresented. Employees will support and comply with the district's established equal employment opportunity and affirmative action policies. Employees will be given notice of this policy annually.

Individuals who file an application with the school district will be given consideration for employment if they meet or exceed the qualifications set by the board, administration, and Iowa Department of Education for the position for which they apply. In employing individuals, the board will consider the qualifications, credentials, and records of the applicants without regard to race, color, creed, sex, national origin, religion, age, socioeconomic status, or disability. In keeping with the law, the board will consider the veteran status of applicants.

State of Iowa Health Mandates for Schools:

Kindergarten: Up to date Certificate of Immunization, Reported blood lead level, Certificate of Dental Screening, Certificate of Vision Screening
3rd Grade: Certificate of Vision Screening
9th Grade: Certificate of Dental Screening

7th and 12th Grades: Proof of a current Tdap and Meningococcal vaccine for students entering 7th and 12th grades for the 2019-2020 school year.

There is NO grace/extension period for the implementation of this requirement. All 7th and 12th grade students will need to submit a completed Certificate of Immunization showing proof of these vaccinations prior to the first day of school fall 2019.

PreK Health Requirements: Physical Form - less than 1 year old
Vaccination Record

4 Dtap, 3 Polio, 1MMR, 3 HIB, 3Hepatitis B, 1 Chicken Pox, 4 Prevnar, 3 Rotavirus.

Rikki Hetzler, Dental Hygienist from Trinity Public Health, will be at the elementary school for Kindergarten Round-Up conducting dental screenings for students preparing to enter kindergarten. We encourage you to take advantage of this free opportunity to complete this mandatory requirement.

It is a goal of ours to keep L-M parents and community members informed of on going information as quickly as possible. We want to make the information as easily accessible as possible. We hope that you will follow and like our facebook page. As well as visit our website as much as possible. Please visit our website at



WWW.LMCSD.ORG



Free or reduced-cost lunches are available to students.

Application forms are available from building offices upon request.

No free or reduced-cost meals will be served until an approved application for the family is on file in the district.

Until approval, the student will purchase full priced lunches. Parents are encouraged to obtain application at the time of registration.

Parents'/Guardians' Rights Notification

Parents/Guardians in the Louisa-Muscatine Community School District have the right to learn about the following qualifications of their child's teacher: state licensure requirements for the grade level and content areas taught, the current licensing status of your child's teacher, and baccalaureate/graduate certification/degree. You may also request the qualifications of an instructional paraprofessional who serves your student in a Title I program or if your school operates a school-wide Title I program. Parents/Guardians may request this information from the Office of the Superintendent by calling 319-726-3541, or sending a letter of request to Office of the Superintendent, Louisa-Muscatine CSD, 14478 170th St., Letts, Iowa, 52754. The Louisa-Muscatine Community School District ensures that parents will be notified in writing if their child has been assigned, or has been taught by a teacher for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not considered highly qualified.